

# ESIP Discovery Cluster

## OpenSearch, Datacasting, Servicecasting

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# Agenda



- Introduction (10-minutes)
- Interoperability Use Cases (45-minutes)
  - With discussion on interoperability
- Setup governance mechanism (30-minutes working session)
- Discussion on key issues (20-minutes)
- Atom vs RSS comparative (1-slide)
- Settle on specification of response format (10-minutes working session)

Some Background

# INTRODUCTION

# Discovery Services History Highlights



- **2005:** original Data Casting (with RSS) funded
- **2008:** ESDSWG Technology Infusion working group explores Service Casting
- **2009-01-06:** FROST concept proposed at ESIP, Washington DC
- **2009-07-07:** FROST demo at ESIP, Santa Barbara
- **2009-07-14:** ESIP FedSearch Cluster startup. *“Also Bastille Day! Coincidence?”*
- **2009-10-21:** Presentation at ESDSWG on Federated Search
- **2010-07-20:** ESIP, Knoxville
  - ESIP FedSearchWorkshop
  - second Data Casting
  - Service Casting
  - *Discussed overlapping Atom response formats*
- **2010-11-04:** ESDSWG, New Orleans
  - Federatedness/Casting session
    - Draft of initial ESIP Discovery Atom Response Format
    - Expand the scope of Federated search to cover Discovery services (OpenSearch, Data Casting, Service Casting)
- **2010-11-30:** First working draft document of the Discovery feed Atom response format posted on wiki
- **2010-12-07:** first Discovery Cluster telecon
- **2011-01-05:** Discovery Cluster working session (today)

# The REST-style Common Response



ESIP Federated Search + Service Casting + Data Casting = ESIP Discovery

Service	Request	Response
OpenSearch Granule-level*	GET REST-style parameters	Atom 1.0 + extensions
DataCasting**	GET	Atom 1.0 + extensions
ServiceCastng	GET	Atom 1.0 + extensions

\* *Collection-level OpenSearch returns OSDD*

\*\* *Consists of both collection and granule casting*

# Atom 1.0

- Starting with RFC 4287 “The Atom Syndication Format”
  - Not to be confused with RFC 5023 "The Atom Publishing Protocol"
- Generic example:

```
<?xml version="1.0" encoding="utf-8"?>
<feed xmlns=http://www.w3.org/2005/Atom>

  <title>Example Feed</title>
  <link href="http://example.org/" />
  <updated>2003-12-13T18:30:02Z</updated>
  <author>
    <name>John Doe</name>
  </author>
  <id>urn:uuid:60a76c80-d399-11d9-b93C-0003939e0af6</id>

  <entry>
    <title>Atom-Powered Robots Run Amok</title>
    <link href="http://example.org/2003/12/13/atom03" />
    <id>urn:uuid:1225c695-cfb8-4ebb-aaaa-80da344efa6a</id>
    <updated>2003-12-13T18:30:02Z</updated>
    <summary>Some text.</summary>
  </entry>

</feed>
```

# Example ESIP Extensions for Atom's Entry Tag



*(Illustrative non-final format example)*

```
<entry>
  <title>regrid-modis.aqua-avg.1hr.p5deg-v1.0-2005.01.01.blk1.nc</title>
  <link href="http://wsnews.jpl.nasa.gov:8100/file/download_by_id?
    id=178df53dada229cec0dbec347c60785dde8bfdce" length="64959344" title="Granule File"
    type="application/x-netcdf" />
  <link href="http://wsnews.jpl.nasa.gov:8100/file/download_by_id?
    id=178df53dada229cec0dbec347c60785dde8bfdce" length="64959344" rel="http://esipfed.org/ns/
    discovery/1.1/data#" title="Granule File" type="application/x-netcdf" />
  <geo:box>-180.0, -90.0, 180.0, 90.0</geo:box>
  <time:start>2005-01-01T00:00:00Z</time:start>
  <time:end>2005-01-01T03:00:00Z</time:end>
  <updated>2008-12-16T15:00:26Z</updated>
  <discovery:metadata xsd="http://foo/bar.xsd">
    <discovery:dayNightFlag>day</discovery:dayNightFlag>
    <gesdisc:fooFlag>bar</gesdisc:fooFlag>
  </discovery:metadata>
  <content type="xhtml">
    Here is the description.
  </content>
</entry>
```

Onto Discovery

# CLUSTER TRANSITION



# FedSearch to Discovery



- Decided at ESDSWG 2010, New Orleans
- Cluster Transition
  - Old: ESIP Federated Search Cluster
    - [http://wiki.esipfed.org/index.php/Federated Search](http://wiki.esipfed.org/index.php/Federated_Search)
  - New: ESIP Discovery Cluster
    - [http://wiki.esipfed.org/index.php/Discovery Cluster](http://wiki.esipfed.org/index.php/Discovery_Cluster)
- Mailing listing
  - Deprecating old FedSearch mailing list
    - <http://rtpnet.org/mailman/listinfo/esip-federatedsearch>
  - Subscribe to new Discovery mailing list
    - <http://rtpnet.org/mailman/listinfo/esip-discovery>

Mashups and more?

# INTEROPERABILITY USE CASES

# Example Use Cases



- *“Service casting and data (granule and collection) casting”*
  - Ruth Duer, 10-minutes
    - National Libre Portal
    - Plan to support OpenSearch’s multiple response format types (Atom, RSS, KML)
    - Plan to make OpenSearch and Datacasting response the same format types (Atom, RSS, KML)
    - Both OpenSearch and Datacasting support collection and granule-level search
- *“Extend OpenSearch to service casting”*
  - Chris Lynnes, 10-minutes
- *“Coastal data visualization data casting”*
  - Ken Keiser, 10-minutes

# Discussion on Interoperability



- Given these uses cases as starting point, what is needed for interoperability?
- OGC is also working on OpenSearch. We should be in contact.
- Publish/Subscribe model. Follow RFC 5023 "The Atom Publishing Protocol"?
- ...

Working Session to Setup Formalism

# GOVERNANCE

- First off, do we need a governance process?
- Want open and interoperable Discovery standard
- Need to move forward.
  - Multiple data centers involved in Discovery services.
  - Issues with interoperability, different centers, different standards.
  - Agree on process, and then follow it.

# What We Need



- Process defined for
  - Proposing
  - Forum
  - Ratifying
  - Changing standards (as new proposal)
- Documentation
  - put transparent trail on wiki
- Appoint people? (initially)
- Look to open source community as examples
  - Java Community Process
  - “Committers” work with community, implement changes, accept input
  - Apache model

- *(just an example, we don't have to follow this governance process)*
- OPM *editors* act as *committers* to the OPM specification(s).
  - Bootstrap with initial editors
  - New community participants will become editors over time.
- Avoid splintered community
  - Prevent branching with an open and consensus driven process



# Process for Changes to OPM



## All steps posted to **mailing list** and **wiki**

1. Call for change proposals.
  - Editors invite community to submit change proposals
  - Include Context: 'background', 'problem addressed', 'proposed solution', 'rationale for the solution'
2. Proposal review period.
  - Community reviews and comments on change proposal
  - [Set time limit](#)
3. Vote.
  - Community wiki account holders vote.
  - Change proposal adopted with majority of community votes **and** agreed upon by majority of editors
4. Document editing.
  - Editors provide revised version of document on wiki
5. Final review.
  - Community provides final comments before finalizations.

# Custom Profiles



- “Profiles, i.e. specializations of OPM, with specific focus or for specific application domains are encouraged.”
- Proposed custom profiles go through same change process
- Discovery will need this
  - e.g. GES DISC day-night flag

# Discovery Cluster Governance



- ...So what are we deciding?
- Initial Editors (*should be an odd number*)
  1. Andy Bingham
  2. Chris Lynnes
  3. Brian Wilson
  4. Hook Hua
  5. Ruth Duer
  6. EPA may also be interested....
- Adopt OPM governance, but with changes:
  - Each proposal shall have a deadline range, which is not extendable
- Setup initial governance template pages on wiki
- Later, propose community “standard” to ESDSWG SPG. Write RFC.

Key Issues with Discovery Services

# DISCUSSION

Which Response Format to Initially Adopt?

# ATOM VERSUS RSS

*\* Brian Wilson unable to make it to ESIP, but did send a slide.*

# Why Atom Instead of RSS?



- Multiple Typed Links possible in each Entry
  - `<link rel="purpose" type="application/wsd+xml" href="" />`
  - Links to interface, service endpoint, & human documentation
- Can embed tags from arbitrary namespaces
  - Define scast namespace, and register it
  - `<scast:serviceType> = SOAP, REST, OGC.WMS, HUMAN`
  - Specific services can embed more XML metadata (sciflo)
- Embed arbitrary content in 'typed' `<content>` tag
  - `<content type="xhtml" or type="xml">`
  - Use for more documentation, or more XML metadata
- Use `<category>` tag to characterize services
  - Use taxonomy of services, or just text keywords
- Opensearch and GoogleData standards extend Atom
- Atom got timestamps right (unlike RSS)
  - ISO YYYY-MM-DDTHH:MM:SS

Brian Wilson (JPL)

# Identifying Key Issues



- Atom Syndication Format vs RSS 2.0
  - *Andy Bingham's Datacasting project has agreed to also support Atom in his Datacasting reader*
- Custom Profiles
- Custom OpenSearch request parameters
  - Allow custom value restrictions?
- Others...

Specification

# DISCOVERY RESPONSE FORMAT



# Settling on Initial Response Format



- Discovery Cast Atom Response Format
  - [http://wiki.esipfed.org/index.php/Discovery\\_Cast\\_Atom\\_Response\\_Format](http://wiki.esipfed.org/index.php/Discovery_Cast_Atom_Response_Format)
- Namespace
- ESIP extensions to Atom Response
  - Temporal extents
  - Spatial extents
  - rel links type vocabulary
  - Pagination support
  - Custom tags (with namespace!) at top-level of <entry>

# Next Steps



1. Submit your Discovery services URL to the wiki page (informal)
2. Continue development on Discovery mailing list
  - Settle on ESIP request convention
    - OpenSearch, DataCasting, ServiceCasting
3. Implementations adhere to ESIP Discovery specification
4. Demonstrations of adherence
5. Interoperable mashups?
6. Federated orchestration
7. ...

# References



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- ESIP Discovery mailing list
  - <http://rtpnet.org/mailman/listinfo/esip-discovery>
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  - [http://wiki.esipfed.org/index.php/Discovery\\_Cast\\_Atom\\_Response\\_Format](http://wiki.esipfed.org/index.php/Discovery_Cast_Atom_Response_Format)
- The Atom Syndication Format
  - <http://www.ietf.org/rfc/rfc4287.txt>
- Governance of the Open Provenance Model
  - <http://twiki.ipaw.info/pub/OPM/WebHome/governance.pdf>